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## Census Flashback



Some improvements being done to a house on Fort Snelling, Minnesota military base in the 1930s.

Americans love to work on their homes and the recent proliferation shows has highlighted the diversity of America's housing stock. Since the seventies, the Census Bureau has had an annual national survey collecting detailed data on America's housing inventory. The American Housing Survey tracks home repairs, improvements, and alterations which generally occur in about 64% of occupied housing units annually. In 1985, 56 million occupied housing units had some work done and in 1993, that number rose to the method of collecting data on remodeling and repair work changed after 1993 to a more job-based approach, the number of units getting some work done has continued to steadily increase.

Source: American Housing Survey

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